UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

In re:)	
	SAM MAZZOLA, an individual doing business as WORLD ANIMAL STUDIOS, INC., a former Ohio domestic corporation and WILDLIFE ADVENTURES OF OHIO, INC., a former)))	AWA Docket No. 06-0010
	Florida domestic stock corporation currently)	Notice of Publication of Oral
	licensed as a foreign corporation in Ohio,)	Decision and Order Contained in Enclosed CORRECTED
	Respondent.)	Transcript Excerpt
	and		
In re:)	AWA Docket No. D-07-0064
	SAM MAZZOLA,)	Notice of Publication of Oral
)	Decision and Order Contained
	Petitioner.)	in Enclosed CORRECTED
)	Transcript Excerpt

In Cleveland, Ohio, in March 2008 and July 2008, a 19-day long hearing was held in the above-captioned cases. On July 31, 2008, I issued my Decision and Order orally from the bench, in accordance with section 1.142(c) of the Rules of Practice (7 C.F.R. § 1.142(c)). The parties' opportunity to submit their (1) requests for transcript corrections; (2) proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Orders; and (3) briefs in support thereof [see 7 C.F.R. §1.142(b)], was during the hearing, in writing and/or orally as closing argument.

Sam Mazzola, an individual doing business as World Animal Studios, Inc. and Wildlife Adventures of Ohio, Inc. ("Sam Mazzola"), was the Respondent in AWA Docket No. 06-0010; Sam Mazzola was the Petitioner in AWA Docket No. D-07-0064. Sam Mazzola represented himself (appeared *pro se*).

The Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, United States Department of Agriculture ("APHIS"), was represented by Bernadette Juarez, Esq. and Babak A. Rastgoufard, Esq. APHIS was the Complainant in AWA Docket No. 06-0010; the Respondent in AWA Docket No. D-07-0064.

The transcript excerpt draft containing my oral Decision and Order was provided to me via email on an expedited basis on August 8, 2008 at my request and was distributed to the parties in accordance with 7 C.F.R. § 1.142(c)(2).

That transcript excerpt, with transcript CORRECTIONS I have made, 1 is enclosed for publication of the oral Decision and Order on the USDA/OALJ website [http://www.usda.gov/da/oaljdecisions], and for eventual inclusion in Agriculture Decisions; also enclosed is the Second Amended Complaint, filed January 8, 2008, which is required to understand the transcript excerpt, with CORRECTIONS to paragraphs 42 and 50 included.

Copies of this Notice of Publication, plus the two enclosures, shall be served (by ordinary distribution including ordinary mail) by the Hearing Clerk upon each of the parties.

Done at Washington, D.C. this 22nd day of August 2008, *nunc pro tunc* to the 31st day of July 2008

Jill S. Clifton Administrative Law Judge

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¹ If requested by the parties, other transcript corrections may be ordered in the future.